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In re Patent Application of:  
Shengce TAO et al.

Application No.: 10/559,951

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Art Unit: 1637

For: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR  
OPTIMIZING MULTIPLEX PCR PRIMERS

Examiner: C. Wilder

**STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

This statement is being filed as the Applicant is required to file a statement of the substance of the interview conducted on April 14, 2008 and April 16, 2008 in connection with the above-identified patent application.

During the telephonic interview, Attorney of Record Peng Chen discussed the current status of the subject application with Examiner Cynthia B. Wilder. Examiner Wilder proposed a restriction concerning the application as follows:

I. Claims 1-27; and

II. Claims 28 and 29.

Applicants elected Group I, Claims 1-27, with traverse. Examiner Wilder agreed to enter a statement to this effect into the prosecution record.



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